## Arrival & Dismissal Procedures
- Car riders are dropped off at the cafeteria doors. Please wait for an adult to signal them to exit the car. Students should be able to independently buckle/unbuckle, open/close the car door, and carry backpacks. Students who have not eaten breakfast at home have the option to take a (no charge) bagged breakfast from the cafeteria and report directly to homerooms.
- Bus riders are dropped off at the front doors. They will wait for an adult to signal them to depart the bus. Students report directly to homerooms. If they did not eat breakfast at home, they have the option to then get one (no charge) from the cafeteria and eat in the classroom.
- At dismissal, students will be dismissed in a staggered fashion: car riders, after care, and buses.
- Late arrivals/early dismissal
  - **Late Arrival:** Parents/guardians may remain in their car, pull up to the front of the building, and call the school office at 410-887-5947. Students will ring the center doorbell, enter the building, and report to the office. Students will then be directed to their homerooms.
  - **Early Dismissal:** Parents/guardians can pull up to front of the building or parking lot and **ring the bell at the front center red doors**. Please report to the office and a staff member will call the classroom for your child(ren). The front loop should be free of cars by 3:00 pm to prepare for bus dismissal.

## Screening & Testing (**Safety is Our True North**)
- All families should screen students for symptoms prior to leaving home.
- Please use this **checklist** to determine if a student should or should not go to school.
- Persons with COVID-19 symptoms in school will be required to be tested or will be placed on quarantine, in alignment with guidance from the Maryland Department of Health.

## Face Covering (**Safety is Our True North**)
**Requirements:** All persons, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a face covering while inside a school. Exceptions to this requirement are:
- The person is alone in a private space.
- The person is eating or drinking.
- The person has a documented physical or developmental disability that makes wearing a mask unsafe.
- The person is under the age of two.
- The person is a student athlete engaged in the sport in the field of play.

## Social Distancing (**Safety is Our True North**)
**Requirements:** Physical distancing of students from each other and between students and adults will be provided to the greatest extent possible, considering school enrollment and facility constraints. Strategies include:
- Use of classroom and cafeteria configurations that provide maximal separation between students.
- Plans for arrival, dismissal and change of classes to reduce gathering of students in any area.
- Restriction of field trips to day trips only, with plans to reduce exposure to large crowds.
- Plans for supervision of restrooms, coat rooms, and school lockers to prevent congregation of students.

## Hand Hygiene (**Safety is Our True North**)
**Requirements:** Employees and students have been instructed to adhere to best practices in hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette. Times for handwashing or use of hand sanitizer to include before and after meals, upon arrival to schools’ offices and home, before and after use of any shared items, after use of the restroom, after sneezing/coughing and other time hands are contaminated.

## Breakfast & Lunch
- Students can pick up a free bagged breakfast (in the cafeteria) if they have not eaten at home. Students are encouraged, if possible, to eat breakfast at home in the morning before school. Students will eat breakfast in the classrooms.
- Students can choose up a free lunch from the cafeteria or bring their own lunch. Students will eat lunch in the cafeteria.
### Supplies & Devices
- Each grade level will determine if devices will be transported to and from school and inform families
- If devices are sent home, please charge devices in the evening
- If devices are sent home, students must bring back a charged BCPS device and charging cord
- Only BCPS devices are permitted in the building
- Use of shared materials and equipment is permitted. To the greatest extent possible, students will sanitize hands before and/or after use of shared items.

### Visitors *(Safety is Our True North)*
- To visit a BCPS school, visitors must have an appointment.
- Visits will be conducted remotely or outside, whenever possible.
- If an indoor visit is required, visitors will be required to wear a face coverings and practice social distancing.
- The number of people admitted to the building will be limited.

### Athletics (Secondary)/Extra Curriculars
- Before and after school activities and clubs are currently permitted. All mitigation strategies will be followed.
- This [site](#) contains current information for mitigation related to athletics in BCPS.

### Cleaning/Disinfecting *(Safety is Our True North)*
**Requirements:** BCPS staff will continue to provide safe and clean school environments by ensuring daily cleaning of buildings using Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved germicidal agents that kill coronavirus. BCPS staff will:
- Perform frequent cleaning and disinfection of high-contact surfaces and any shared items, at least daily.
- Promote hand washing before and after touch of shared use items.
- Maintain sufficient supplies of soap, paper towels, and hand sanitizer.